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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**  
**EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - GROUP ART UNIT 1653**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Vale, et. al. Art Unit: 1653  
Serial No.: 09/502,664 Examiner: H. Robinson  
Filed: February 11, 2000  
Title: METHOD OF AFFINITY PURIFYING PROTEINS USING MODIFIED  
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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for the above-identified application please find:

1. Response to Office Action mailed April 22, 2003 (11 pages);
2. Return postcard.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8	
I hereby certify that the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail on this date, <u>July 22, 2003</u> , in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.	
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No fee is believed due in connection with this Response. If any fee is due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 50-1355. A duplicate copy of this Transmittal Sheet is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: July 22, 2003



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**RESPONSE**

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Responsive to the Office Action mailed April 22, 2003, please consider the following amendment and remarks.

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